

**MINUTES OF THE  
IMPACTS OF GRAVEL PITS TASK FORCE**

Tuesday, November 18, 2003 – 9:00 a.m. – Room 405 State Capitol

**Members Present:**

Sen. Peter Knudson, Senate Chair  
Rep. Ben. C. Ferry, House Chair  
Sen. James Evans  
Sen. Paula Julander  
Rep. Ralph Becker  
Rep. Don E. Bush  
Rep. Ann W. Hardy  
Mr. Ron Daniels representing  
    Mr. Lowell Braxton  
Mayor Lou Ann Christensen  
Mr. Greg Fredde  
Mr. Paul Glauser  
Mr. Richard Sprott

**Members Absent:**

Rep. Eli Anderson  
Commissioner Jerry Grover

**Staff Present:**

Mr. Stewart E. Smith, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Esther Chelsea-McCarty, Associate General Counsel  
Ms. Cassandra N. Bauman, Legislative Secretary

**Note:** A list of others present and a copy of materials can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov) or by contacting the committee secretary at 538-1032. A recording of the meeting may also be available from the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel.

**1. Committee Business**

Chair Knudson called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Bush moved to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2003 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Evans and Rep. Becker absent for the vote.

**2. Impact Mitigation for Gravel Pits**

Ms. Chelsea-McCarty explained the draft legislation distributed prior to the meeting. She indicated that the legislation will have a fiscal note. She explained research which staff conducted with regards to options for increasing revenues for local governments to mitigate impacts of gravel pit operations.

**3. Other Alternatives for Task Force Action**

Ms. Chelsea-McCarty presented the differences between nonconforming and conditional uses.

Mr. Lincoln Shurtz, Utah League of Cities and Towns; and Mr. Paul Larsen, Brigham City Planner, explained the process for conditional use permits. They responded to questions.

Mr. Spencer Stokes, Staker & Parsons, commented.

Mr. Richard Thorne, President, Utah Associated General Contractors, spoke to the issue.

The Task Force discussed issues associated with sharing revenue with local governments and reducing negative impacts of gravel pits.

**MOTION:** Rep. Becker moved to adopt the legislation "Impact Mitigation for Gravel Pits" with suggested amendments.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Rep. Bush moved to proceed to the next item on the agenda. The motion failed with Rep. Bush and Mr. Glauser voting in favor of the motion and Sen. Julander absent for the vote.

Task Force discussion followed. The original motion failed with Rep. Becker, Mayor Christensen, and Mr. Daniels voting in favor of the motion and Sen. Evans and Sen. Julander absent for the vote.

#### **4. Task Force Report to Legislature**

Mr. Smith distributed and reviewed "Impacts of Gravel Pits Task Force Draft Report - November 14, 2003."

The Task Force discussed the proposed report and made minor amendments.

#### **5. Other Items / Adjourn**

**MOTION:** Rep. Bush moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Evans and Sen. Julander absent for the vote.

Chair Knudson adjourned the meeting at 11:49 a.m.